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SUBJ: VISIT OF DR. JOHN JENNINGS, FDA

REF: (A) STATE 156031 (NOTAL)

(B) STATE 130208

(C) CANBERRA 3461

1. DR JENNINGS SCHEDULE (REF A) FOR JULY 29-AUG 2, IN CANBERRA, MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY IS STILL BEING FORMULATED, AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DATES HE PLANS TO VISIT MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY IS REQUIRED. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) CANBERRA HAS PREPARED FULL DAY OF MEETINGS JULY 29, ALTHOUGH COPY OF SCHEDULE NOT YET RECEIVED AT EMBASSY. DOH AWARE OF DR. JENNINGS' TOPICS OF INTERESTS (REF B). DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF HEALTH HOWELLS PLANS TO INVITE DR. JENNINGS TO LUNCH ON JULY 29. CONSULATES GENERAL MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY ARE INFORMING STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENTS OF HIS INTERESTS BUT LEAVING DATES OPEN FOR DR. JENNINGS' CALLS UNTIL THEY LEARN HIS TRAVEL PLANS.

2. DURING PAST WEEK, EMBASSY HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH AUSTRALIAN POSTGRADUATE FEDERATION OF MEDICINE (APFM) IN SYDNEY, ORGANIZER OF CANBERRA SYMPOSIUM DR. JENNINGS WILL ATTEND. APFM IS CONCERNED OVER LACK OF COMMUNICATION WITH DR. JENNINGS SINCE OCTOBER AND HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY

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ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING ANSWERS TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

(A) WHAT ARE ARRIVAL TIMES AND NUMBERS FOR DR. JENNINGS' FLIGHTS TO SYDNEY AND CANBERRA?

(B) IS APFM CORRECT IN ASSUMING DR. JANNINGS WILL BE TRAVELLING ALONE (I.E. MRS. JENNINGS WILL NOT ACCOMPANY)?

(C) ARE SINGLE RESERVATIONS MADE BY APFM AT CANBERRA'S LAKESIDE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL FOR JULY 26-28 INCLUSIVE SATISFACTORY?

APFM ASSUMES DR. JENNINGS WILL TRAVEL STRAIGHT THROUGH TO CANBERRA, ARRIVING EVENING JULY 26, AND PLANS TO MEET HIM AT CANBERRA AIRPORT. SYMPOSIUM BEGINS 9 AM, JULY 27 AND ENDS 3.30 PM, JULY 28. APFM PRESIDENT SIR KENNETH NOAD PLANS TO INVITE DR. JENNINGS TO DINNER IN SYDNEY AFTER SYMPOSIUM.

3. POST CONTACT OFFICERS FOR VISIT ARE: CANBERRA - ROBERT J. MONTGOMERY; MELBOURNE - PETER T. HANSEN; SYDNEY - F. BRENNE BACHMANN. MONTGOMERY PLANS TO PICK UP DR. JENNINGS AT ABOUT 8 AM JULY 29 SO THAT HE CAN VISIT EMBASSY BEFORE HIS DOH APPOINTMENTS BEGIN AT 9 AM.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: IN ADDITION TO RECEIVING ANSWERS TO APFM QUESTIONS POSED PARA 2, POSTS WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING SOONEST DR. JENNINGS' TRAVEL PLANS FOLLOWING CANBERRA VISIT. (BECAUSE OF EARLY MORNING WINTER FOG PROBLEMS, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS DR. JENNINGS PLAN ARRIVE AND DEPART CANBERRA IN AFTERNOON OR EVENING). ALSO PLEASE ADVISE CONSULATES MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY IF HOTEL RESERVATIONS THOSE CITIES DESIRED.
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